San Francisco Dec. 29th 67.

Dear Sir,

Two boxes for you, will leave to day in care of the Smithsonian Washington. The large box constains a complete set of Dr. Kellogg's plants collected north in our new possession, and some valuable seeds. The large bag, Picea amabilis = magnifica, contains probably to many to get to England at once. Please help yourself and if you know any body else let him have some. It would be well to send some to the Smithsonian. Perhaps Mr. Mann will do it for me. In the small bag you find the

Did you receive to packages of seed: one contained none but Chilian seeds and the other some from our Mts?

Ere this arrives we will have paped the year 67 and entered another. May the Almighty, in whose hands our life rests, permit you to live yet a long series of years, useful and blissful to your fellow-beings — and grant you good health and a joyful disposition to advance our beloved science more and more. — A happy, joyful New Years!!

Yours
most sincerely
Henry Bolander

the seeds of the Fremontia, take what you want and give the rest to Thompson. Please examine all the seeds and keep whatever you like of them. Helenium Bolanderi you will also find among them.

The smaller box contains two fine cones of P. ponderosa one for you and one for Dr. Engelmann. The coniferous branches you may divide with the Dr. if he is not already supplied with them. Those little packages marked "Expedition to Alaska" are for Dr. Engelmann.

I hope you will excuse me for sending all these things to you first and beg you to distribute them for we could not find suitable boxes to divide them at once